जैसलमेर और बाड़मेर जिलों के सीमावर्ती क्षेत्रों पर बाड़ लगाना

*1064. श्री शांति त्यागी :

क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार पाकिस्तान की ओर से घुसपैठ और तस्करी को रोकने के लिए पाकिस्तान से सटे जैसलमेर और बाड़मेर जिलों के सीमावर्ती क्षेत्रों पर कंटीले तारों की बाड़ लगाने और फ्लड लाइट की व्यवस्था कर रही है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस कार्य के कब तक पूरा होने की संभावना है ?

संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम० एम० जैकब) : (क) खतरे की संभावना तथा स्थलीय बाध्यताओं को ध्यान में रखते हुए, राज्य सरकार के परामर्श से इस मुद्दे पर विचार किया जा रहा है ।

(ख) शीघ्र ही ।

Fake Share transfer Stamps Racket

1065. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of an organised racket in fake and recynied share transfer stamps going on in some parts of the country;

(b) if so, whether persons operating such a racket have been apprehended; and

(c) what step3 Government propose to take or have taken against police officials shielding the racketeers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Constitution of Development Boards in Maharashtra

1066. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the issue of constituting Development Boards for backward regions of Vidarbha, Marath-vvada and Konkan is pending for decision for a long time with the Central Government;

(b) if so, since when, and what is the present status of the proposal;

(c) whether it is also a fact that inspite of unanimous resolution of Maharashtra Legislature and strong support of the Chief Minister no tangible results are visible if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) what is the policy of Government and also the justification for such inordinate delay ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) to (d) Proposals have been received from time to time from the Government of Maharashtra for setting up of Develop-ment Boards for Vidarbha, Marathwada and Konkan under Article; 371(2) of the Constitution.

The matter is being examined from diffe-: rent angles including constitutional and legal, for which reason, it is not possible to indicate any denite time-frame at this stage.

Rise in cases of custody deaths

1067. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFATRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the alarming rise in cases, of custody deaths and rape/molestation;

(b) if so, what are the details of such cases that have come to notice, State-wise during the last three years—year-wise; and

(c) what is being done by Government to improve the image of police and effect radical changes to reverse the trend ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) and (b) Reports have appeared from time to time about cases of alleged deaths and other crimes in custody in different States. Registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime being the responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations, action is taken by them to enquire into allegations of custodial crimes and punish those who may be found guilty. Details of such cases are not compiled at the Central Government level.

(c) The Central Government has been giving special attention to issues relating to human rights and has repeatedly stressed upon the need to take immediate and exemplary action wherever casess of violations of human rights, on the part of the law enforcement agencies, come to notice. The State Governments have also been advised to set up special cells to monitor and ensure that effective action is taken against delinquent officials in such cases.

Issues' relating *to* the setting up of a human rights commission, custodial crimes, atrocities against weaker sections of the society, prison reforms and police training etc., had also! been discussed in a Chief Ministers Conference of Human Rights held on September 14, 1992. It is hoped that the State Governments will take appropriate steps to deal firmly with any instances of violations of human rights and for sensitisation of the law enforcement agencies at all levels.

Infiltration of Militants from Nepal

1068. DR. ABRAR AHMED :

SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA :

SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV :

SHRI G. G. SWELL :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFATRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have seen recent press reports that militants are entering into India; from Nepal in a big Way;

(b) if so, the details therof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to check the infiltration ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) and (b) The Government are aware that the Punjab terrorists operating in Terai areas of Uttar Pradesh have occasionally used Nepal territory for safe sanctuary taking advantage of India's open border with Nepal. One militant belonging to Khalistan National Army was apprehended at Sonauli in the Maharajganj district of Uttar Pradesh on 1-9-91 while entering Uttar Pradesh from Nepal. In another incident on 5-5-92, a militant belonging to the Khalistan Commando Force was killed by the police when he was trying to escape to Nepal.

(c) An anti-terrorist checkpost has been established near Sonauli. Police Stations, outposts and immigration check-posts on Indo-Nepal border have been alerted to keep strict vigil. Border security and policing have also been tightened all along the border.

Reorganisation of States

1069. DR. ABRAR AHMED :

SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD :

SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL:

DR. BAPU KALDATE :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are actively considering proposals for the reorganisation of States on linguistic basis or otherwise; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.